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| BENGAL DESHI | |
| 11. Open to all exporters | 1.00 |
| TOTAL: | 5.00 |

(c) and (d) As regards A.P. 0.15 lakh bales export quota has been allotted as per the details above.

GARMENT EXPORTS TO FOREIGN COUNTRIES

2694. SHRI TINDIVANAM G. VENKATRAMAN :

SHRI J. S. RAJU :

SHRI MISA R. GANESAN : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) what is India's position in garment trade in international market;

(b) what is the total amount earned from export of garments to foreign countries in the last financial year; and

(c) what will be the amount expected during this financial year ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) As per currently available GATT data, India accounts for about 2 per cent of the world clothing imports.

(b) During last year, i.e. 1992-93, garment exports from India amounted to Rs. 8841 Crore, equivalent to US $ 3053 Million.

(Source Apparel Export Promotion Council)

(c) For the current year i.e. 1993-94, a target of US $ 3510.51 million has been fixed.

AVAILABILITY AND CONSUMPTION OF COTTON IN THE COUNTRY

2695. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL : Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that due to pest attack in Rajasthan and other States, cotton crop this year is estimated to be around 130 lakh bales as against the projection of 135 lakh bales;

(b) if so, what is the present cotton availability including opening stock and total requirement covering mill consumption and non-mill consumption during the year 1993-94 indicating also the quantity of bales purchased by CCI this year as compared to 1992-93;

(c) what is the quantity of bales released so far for exports; and

(d) the steps taken for stabilisation of cotton prices in the domestic market ensuring remunerative returns for the growers; and maintaining the country's presence in the international market as a stable supplier ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI G. VENKAT SWAMY) : (a) and (b) The Cotton Advisory Board met on 8-11-93 and assessed the supply and demand position of cotton as follows :